

BOWEL POISON.

Thousands of Men and Women Poisoned and Don't Know It.

HOW TO FIND OUT.

Bowel poison means blood tainted by foul secretions absorbed from the bowels. Here are the symptoms:

If your skin is disfigured by eruptions, pimples, blotches, sores or eczema; if you feel tired and your skin is itchy and rough; if you feel tired and worn out, your nerves weak, constipated, cross and depressed; if your head feels heavy and aching, your eyes bright and specks float across your vision; if you have cold feet and your hands get sweaty and sticky—if you have these danger signals they point unerringly to bowel poison, impure blood, and show that your stomach, liver and bowels are not working right.

Smith's Pineapple and Butternut Pills are what you must have to make your bowels right; they will remove the impurities from your blood by toning up the liver and bowels so that they will perform their functions naturally and regularly. They cleanse and invigorate the blood by stimulating the sluggish liver and regulating the bowels by their gentle laxative action. They are a sure and unfailing cure for bowel poison in young or old.

Smith's Pineapple and Butternut Pills cure constipation, biliousness and headache in one night, 25 cents, all dealers.

All genuine signed W. F. Smith.

SMITH'S BUCHU LITHIA PILLS

A POSITIVE CURE FOR RHEUMATISM AND ALL FORMS OF KIDNEY AND BLADDER ILLS.

AT ALL DEALERS—25 CENTS.

A CURE AT THE PEOPLES PRICE.

ECHOES FROM THE WAR.

Heroism of the Japanese When the Cruiser Saiyen Sank.

Many stories came to hand a few days ago regarding the fraternizing of Russian and Japanese soldiers. The Russians on the Shaho are beginning to understand Japanese, and in consequence there is much friendly communication between the rank and file of both armies, says the London Daily Express.

Recently a Russian addressed a letter to the Japanese asking for the gift of a photograph of a Japanese girl. He tied it to the branch of a tree, where it was seen by a Japanese soldier, who cut out a portrait from an illustrated magazine, placed it in an envelope and tied it to the same branch. Subsequently he found there a letter of thanks, together with 5 rubles.

The Japanese soldiers outside Ehr-lungshan fort, at Port Arthur, a few days before its capture were surprised to see a letter suddenly thrown into their camp. The missive, which was accompanied by a sum of nearly a sovereign in Russian coin, stated that the sender, who was one of the garrison in the fort, would be greatly obliged if the Japanese would kindly send on his behalf a telegram to his mother in the Crimea stating that he was still well. The letter was at once conveyed to General Nogi, who caused a telegram to be transmitted to Russia. The shortage in telegraph charges was paid by the Japanese authorities.

A well known Japanese writer who is with the forces describes in a long letter several friendly night gatherings of Japanese and Russian officers during the lulls in the fighting. The Russians brought cake and wine, while the Japanese supplied other luxuries, which were shared equally, with great merit and good fellowship. One of the chief amusements of these gatherings was the mutual teaching of each other's language by the men.

Miss Anna B. Slate of Williamsport, Pa., who is a missionary at Yokohama, Japan, recently wrote to her parents at Williamsport the following graphic description of how the news of Port Arthur's fall was received in Yokohama, says the Chicago Tribune:

"We were all in the parlor when the news came. The room was full of Japanese men who had come to pay their New Year's calls and to meet Bishop Harris. Suddenly the whistle began to blow, their bells to ring, and then rockets went up, and we all flew out on the steps. People were running and shouting: 'Port Arthur has fallen! Banzai! Banzai!'

"In a few minutes flags began to go up in all directions. Miss Lewis and I ran over to the school and rang the bell wildly to call the girls to tell them the good news. The cook, who had gone downtown to buy some things, left his purchases in the shop and ran home to tell the story.

"I want to tell you the sweetest thing about the girls of the school across the street. At the time of the news Miss Pratt ran to call the Bible women to tell them, and she found that they had already heard. Most of them were in their rooms praying. She said she never heard such beautiful prayers—and, what do you think?—with tears running down their cheeks, these Japanese women were praying that God would comfort Russia and bless Japan. Praying for their enemies—wasn't that beautiful?

"As I write the shouts of 'Banzai!' come floating up to me. There is no confusion. We were afraid at the beginning of the war that the people would become proud and boast of their victories, but I never heard one man or woman either do it. It is wonderful, their composure and calmness. It must be because they know it is a life and death struggle and for all the victories they are paying a fearful price."

Japan's Trade Museum.

Japan has two commercial museums in which foreigners are allowed to display goods free of charge.

Motors For the Shah.

The Shah of Persia has placed an order in Paris for two touring automobiles, the price of which is reported to be \$9,500 for each machine.

DIPLOMACY TRIUMPHS

Both Russia and Japan Want Peace.

PRESIDENT'S IDEA WINS

Washington May Be Selected as the Place for Negotiations Between the Two Nations—Next Move Will Be for an Armistice.

Washington, June 11.—Both the Russian and Japanese governments have accepted President Roosevelt's suggestion, and a meeting of representatives of the two contending powers is now assured. It was stated at the foreign office at St. Petersburg yesterday afternoon that Russia is ready to appoint plenipotentiaries to hear the Japanese proposals on being informed that Japan is nominating representatives for this purpose. Japan has agreed to President Roosevelt's suggestion to appoint plenipotentiaries to meet Russian plenipotentiaries, says a Tokio despatch.

Japan's acceptance of the president's offer of "good will" has reached the state department in a cablegram from Minister Griscom, says a Washington despatch last evening. Russia's reply followed later, but not in time to be deciphered last night. It is expected both will be made public today.

After acknowledging the receipt of President Roosevelt's letter, Minister of Foreign Affairs Komura in a note to Mr. Griscom, the American minister at Tokio, says the imperial government, has given the suggestion of President Roosevelt the serious consideration to which, coming from that important source, it is justly entitled. Minister Komura's note says that Japan, in the interest of the world as well as that of Japan, is willing to re-establish peace with Russia on terms and conditions that will fully guarantee the stability of the imperial government. Therefore Japan, in response to the suggestions of President Roosevelt, will appoint plenipotentiaries to Russia, at such time and place as may be found equally agreeable and convenient, for the purpose of negotiating and concluding terms of peace directly and exclusively between the two belligerent powers.

Paris is Russia's choice as the place for opening peace negotiations, says a St. Petersburg despatch dated this morning. If Japan insists upon Manchuria or Washington, Russia will doubtless agree, but Paris is preferred, and the emperor is already prepared to issue instructions to M. Nelidoff, the ambassador to France, to act as plenipotentiary to receive the Japanese conditions.

From an authoritative official source it was learned at Washington yesterday that it has been practically determined that the plenipotentiaries of Japan and Russia will hold their sessions in Washington. Inasmuch as the efforts which have been successful in the bringing of the two belligerent governments into contact were initiated by President Roosevelt, and further that most amicable relations exist between the United States and both Russia and Japan, Washington is regarded as the logical place for the institution of the practical peace negotiations between the warring governments. For obvious reasons, London, it was pointed out, would be out of the question and for similar reasons Paris would not be considered. Objections to the holding of the conference in Berlin have also been made. Vienna was suggested as a desirable place, but under all the circumstances Washington was deemed by both St. Petersburg and Tokio to be the most favorable place for holding of the peace conference.

Officials in Washington, who have been closely following the negotiations conducted by the president in bringing about peace between Japan and Russia, expect that the next move will be a request for an armistice. The belief is expressed that both Japan and Russia had already desired aggressive movements, even before the suggestion of the president was accepted. It is now thought at Washington that the United States government will be the medium of communication until some diplomatic channel is established between the belligerent nations.

LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND.

A WOMAN'S REMEDY FOR WOMAN'S ILLS.

Biliousness

"I have used your valuable Cascarets and find them perfect. Couldn't do without them. I have used them for some time for indigestion and biliousness and am now completely cured. Recommend them to everyone. Once tried, you will never be without them in the family."

Edward A. Marx, Albany, N. Y.

Cascarets

Best For The Bowels

CANDY CATHARTIC

THEY WORK WHILE YOU SLEEP

Pleasant, Palatable, Potent, Taste Good, Do Good. Never Sickens, Weakens or Irritates. Sold in bulk. The genuine tablets stamped C. C. C. Guaranteed to cure your bowels.

Steering Remedy Co., Chicago or N.Y. 50c

ANNUAL SALE, TEN MILLION BOXES

GLIMPSES OF JAY COOKE

Civil War Financier's Participation In a Mock Trial.

HIS ANNUAL PARTY FOR GIRLS.

At One of Them Given to the Pupils of a School at Ogontz, Pa., He Dropped Bouquets and Boxes of Candy Into Their Aprons—His "O. P. J." Account—How He Secured His First Position.

The late Jay Cooke of Ogontz, Pa., who was known as the financier of the American civil war, had a story which he used to love to relate of a dinner given in Sterling, N. Y., by Peter Townsend to himself, Secretary Chase, Horace Greeley, Thomas A. Scott and a few other men of note, who were about to form a company to develop some local iron mines, says a Washington correspondent of the New York Post.

The feast was spread at a country hotel, and Mr. Greeley left the table in the midst of it for some purpose. His absence was attributed to his well known eccentricity, and no one thought anything of it till the discovery was accidentally made that in quitting the building the editor had helped himself to a white overcoat belonging to his host, which he mistook in his absent-minded way for the old garment that had become historic on his own back. Now, Mr. Townsend was as convivial in his habits as Mr. Greeley was abstemious, and in the pocket of his overcoat he had that evening hidden a bottle of very choice whisky, so a messenger was sent to scour the village for Greeley and presently brought him back, overcoat, bottle and all—indeed, the neck of the bottle was sticking out of a side pocket, much to the good man's chagrin when his attention was called to it.

At once the party resolved itself into a court and judge Greeley on trial. Chase presided as judge, Townsend conducted the prosecution, Scott, Cooke and the rest of the big moneyed men present served as a jury, and Greeley was convicted of three offenses—grand larceny in the theft of an overcoat, maintaining an unlicensed bar in his side pocket and hypocrisy in pretending to be a total abstainer, but carrying off spirituous liquors to be drunk by him at night and in a secret place. His sentence was to set up a champagne dinner for the same party at the next time and place they could all be brought together.

For the twenty-first consecutive year Jay Cooke gave his annual reception to the girls of the Ogontz (Pa.) school last year, says the Philadelphia North American. This reception was looked forward to in Ogontz with as much eagerness as is the assembly, although the reception was vastly more exclusive. The veteran financier got up out of a sickbed to act as host to "his girls," as he called the students.

He was assisted in receiving by the twenty-five members of the senior class, who also superintended the serving of dinner. The younger girls sat down on the floor around the big, old fashioned fireplace, where a wood fire crackled and roared into the chimney. The guests were served at a special table in an adjoining room, where Mr. Cooke dined with the senior class after he had seen the feast in the big room well under way.

The seniors sang their class song and toasted the man who formerly had his home on the beautiful estate now occupied by their school. Mr. Cooke replied very briefly. His face was fairly beaming with delight. This man who once swayed the destinies of the nation counted his financial conquests as nothing in comparison with the January frolics with "his girls." He never forgot one of them, and he always made it a point to get acquainted with the new ones.

The potatoes that were served at the dinner were cooked in the ashes on the open fireplace, and the ham was heated there on the crane.

After dinner Mr. Cooke stood at one end of the hall and instructed the girls to fall in line and march past him, holding out their aprons. Into each apron he dropped a box of candy, oranges, bananas and a bouquet of cut up in the Victorian style with tin foil and paper funnels. Mr. Cooke always had the bouquets prepared in this fashion, because, he said, that was the style when he was married.

When Jay Cooke was in business there always stood upon his ledger an account called the "O. P. J. Account," says the Philadelphia Record. At each semiannual closing of the books of Jay Cooke & Co. a tenth of the firm's profits were passed to this account and thence distributed in charity and in the advancement of religious teaching. A great deal of money—a tenth, in fact, of all that the firm earned during its long life—was thus devoted to benevolence. The account was called "O. P. J." because those letters stand for "Old Patriarch Jacob," and Jacob, as all Christians know, was the inspired originator of the system of giving tithes to God. When the firm of Jay Cooke & Co. failed—Mr. Cooke later recovered his fortunes nobly—its head said: "How wise we were to give a tenth of our profits always to 'O. P. J.' Otherwise all that money would have been lost too."

During the elder Cooke's term in congress there was a very general time of financial pressure in the west, and on his return home to Sandusky, O.,

GOOD SUPPORT FOR MORTON

Grover Cleveland Will Accept Trust.

NEW PLANS FOR EQUITABLE

Public Statement to be Given Wednesday—Hyde Stock for Association of Policy-holders.

New York, June 12.—The installation of Paul Morton, secretary of the navy, as head of the Equitable life assurance society was auspiciously attended at New York Saturday by the prompt acceptance as members of the new board of trustees of the Hyde estate stock of Grover Cleveland and George Westinghouse, Justice Morgan C. O'Brien, the third member of the board, having already accepted. Mr. Cleveland said that he thought it his duty to accept the position. Mr. Morton also received assurances of full approval of his selection as chairman of the board of directors from August Belmont and Brayton Ives, the latter of whom, after resigning from the board, wrote to Mr. Morton to explain his action and tender the assurance of his best wishes for his success. The new chairman spent the greater part of the day in conferences with President Alexander and other officials of the society. He will not enter on the active discharge of his duties until after his resignation as secretary of the navy on July 1.

He found his affairs considerably embarrassed and became somewhat depressed, says the Chicago Inter Ocean. Standing in his door one day and seeing his three boys coming home from school—there was at this time a school of some merit in Sandusky—he went to meet them, and, putting his arms around them, said, half sadly and half in jest:

"My boys, I have nothing left for you. You must go and look out for yourselves."

The elder and the younger remained silent and downcast, but Jay, then about thirteen years of age, looking up in his father's face with great earnestness, said:

"Father, I am old enough to go to work. I will go and earn for myself."

Mr. Cooke did not regard this remark as anything more than an expression of the boy's affectionate and enterprising nature, and, as he had no intention of turning either of his boys out to earn their own living, he thought no more of it. But the next day when the other boys went to school Jay slipped away, and, going to the store of a Mr. Hubbard in Sandusky, asked the latter to employ him as a clerk. Mr. Hubbard happened to be in need of a clerk and at once employed the lad.

The next day and every day thereafter the boy was at his post in the store. He proved so faithful, intelligent and apt as a salesman and was so ready and quick at figures that his employer formed a strong attachment for him, taught him bookkeeping and instructed him in other branches which he had failed to acquire at school.

Mr. Cooke had a fund of stories about the great men of the past, says the Louisville Courier-Journal.

According to one of the stories, General Grant and his family visited Mr. Cooke after the civil war at the great Cooke mansion at Ogontz, Pa. There the talk fell one evening to hotels, and the host related some of his novel experiences while traveling about the country negotiating the war loans. They had been harrowing experiences in many instances, but in a certain southeastern town they had been worse than harrowing.

"At the hotel in this town," said Mr. Cooke, "I had for my supper one egg; that was not good, two pieces of stale bread and a glass of buttermilk. In my bedroom that night, though it was freezing cold, I had nothing but two sheets to cover me. For breakfast the next morning they gave me another bad egg. And for this accommodation they charged me—the cheats—at the rate of \$7 a day."

"They treated you," said General Grant, "according to the Scriptural injunction."

"How was that?" asked Mr. Cooke.

"Why, you were a stranger, and they took you in."

Jay Cooke was from his boyhood an enthusiastic angler, says the New York Tribune. The waters of Put-In Bay, not far from Sandusky, O., have often been the scene of his exploits from his earliest to his latest years. Concerning this harbor and its associations with a notable event in our naval history, this little tale was a favorite of Mr. Cooke's: An old countryman entered a drug store in Sandusky, holding up a handkerchief with a knot in it. "Well, uncle, what is it?" asked the clerk. "I'll get around to it pretty quick. Now, what place is it down here on the lake?" "Do you mean Put-In bay?" "Yes, that's it. Now, who was it that put in there?" "Perhaps you mean Commodore Perry?" "The very man. And I want a bottle of Perrygoric."

A Fortunate and Grateful Woman.

Mrs. J. H. Giles of Everett, Pa., says: "I suffered for many years from kidney and gravel trouble. The pains from the gravel were simply awful. No physicians or medicines at home did me any good. I finally began using Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, of Rondout, N. Y. A few words tell the result. I am a happy and perfectly well woman once more."

Every Heart-Ache

Every pain in the breast, difficult breathing, palpitation, fluttering or dizzy spell means that your heart is straining itself in its effort to keep in motion. This is dangerous.

Some sudden strain from over-exertion or excitement will completely exhaust the nerves, or rupture the walls or arteries of the heart, and it will stop.

Relieve this terrible strain at once with Dr. Miles' Heart Cure. It invigorates and strengthens the heart nerves and muscles, stimulates the heart action, and relieves the pain and misery.

Take no chances; make your heart strong and vigorous with Dr. Miles' Heart Cure.

"I suffered terribly with heart disease. I have been treated by different physicians for my trouble without results. I went to a physician in Memphis, who claimed that I had dropsy of the heart. He put the 'X-ray' on me, and in connection with his medicine he came near making a finish of me. Some time before this a Mr. Young, of St. Louis, was in our town. He saw my condition, and recommended Dr. Miles' Heart Cure to me. I gave it little attention until my return from Memphis, when I concluded to try it, and am pleased to say three bottles cured me."

CHARLES GOODRICH, Caruthersville, Mo.

Dr. Miles' Heart Cure is sold by your druggist, who will guarantee that the first bottle will benefit. If it fails he will refund your money.

Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind.

ECHOES FROM THE WAR

Heroism of Japanese When the Cruiser Saiyen Sank.

Commander Okuda, who was second in command of the ill fated Japanese cruiser Saiyen when a Russian mine sent her to the bottom, has given the first detailed statement of the disaster, says a Tokyo despatch. The commander said:

"The Saiyen was in Louisa bay Nov. 20 co-operating with the army. There was a sudden explosion, and almost immediately the ship listed to starboard. Captain Tajima and all of us realized at once that all hope of saving the vessel was lost. The ship had struck one of the enemy's mines.

The mine hit below the forward engine room, killing the five men on duty in that room and three of those in the after engine room. The ship made water very fast, but our captain remained on the bridge and directed me to take steps to save the crew.

"As the ship was quickly sinking I advised the captain to take to a boat, but he declined to do so and remained at his post until death came to him. The enemy on Lioathie mountain, observing our condition, mercilessly poured a deadly fire on us and the comrade ships which hurried to our rescue.

"Only two of our three boats could be lowered. When the ship sank the captain was on the port side of the bridge and I on the starboard side, and as the ship listed to starboard I must have gone down before the captain did. I sank very deep, but fortunately gained the surface and caught hold of a hammock, which kept me afloat until I was picked up.

"Only two minutes elapsed between the explosion and the sinking, but I am glad to say that no confusion of any kind occurred. Our only thought was for the safety of our ship, but when that hope was gone we determined to save the portraits of their majesties and the crown prince.

"Navigating Lieutenant Nashitomi went into the hold and with difficulty succeeded in bringing out the emperor's picture and intrusting it to the keeping of Chief Signalman Yamaguchi. He again went below to recover the other two. The ship was then listing, but Nashitomi succeeded in getting them and, regaining the deck, sprang into the sea just as the ship went down. Previously Nashitomi had instructed Engineer Tame to save and preserve the signal book, Tame being the nearest man available. The signal book was already well under water, but Tame, knowing its value, dived into the flooded room and brought the book to the surface.

"As the ship went down our thoughts were for our captain, and our men cried out, 'Captain, captain, where are you?' But the rolling of the sea was the only response."

A QUARTET OF QUAKER RANGES FREE

A Quaker Range Voting Contest Absolutely Without Precedent.

4 QUAKER RANGES FREE

The Times Offers This Number to the Four Ladies Who Receive the Most Votes Under Conditions Indicated Below.

The QUAKER RANGE is world famous, and is well known to the good cooks of Vermont. It is made by the White Warner Co., a guarantee of good faith, and is sold by leading dealers everywhere. All persons unfamiliar with its merits may secure, on application at this office, a full description of this excellent range.

How the Ranges Will Be Distributed.

Range No. 1.—To the lady receiving the most votes in Berlin, Williamstown (excepting Foxville or that portion of Granville not in Williamstown), Brookfield and that part of Barre town west of Stevens' Brook.

Range No. 2.—To the lady receiving the most votes in Barre town east of Stevens' branch and that part of Granville and Foxville located in Williamstown.

Range No. 3.—To the lady receiving the most votes in Orange, Washington, Chelsea or West Topsham.

Range No. 4.—To the lady receiving the most votes in East Montpelier, Plainfield, Marshfield, Groton, Cabot or Calais.

Contest Begins June 20.

The contest will begin June 20 and close Sept. 21 at 9 p. m.

Ranges will be delivered immediately.

Special Announcement.

In case that two bona fide contestants do not appear in any contest, or that the total number of votes in any contest fails to reach 1,000, the prizes in that contest will be withdrawn and will be awarded to the lady receiving the highest second in any other contest.

Conditions of the Contest.

One range will be given to the lady receiving the highest number of votes in any contest.

No coupons will be sold at this office and no papers will be sold in quantities. No coupons will be printed in the paper, but will be issued as specified in the paragraph following.

One twenty-five vote coupon will be issued for every \$25 that is paid in on subscriptions to the Times, but no coupons will be issued for fractional parts of a dollar, or for any subscription of less than six months. This applies to either old or new subscribers. One twenty-five vote coupon for every \$125 paid, no more, no less.

To prevent trading among contestants, those who receive coupons should fill them out at once. No coupon will be counted upon which two names appear, even if one of them has been erased. After coupons are once credited no transfer will be made.

Any contestant is at liberty to canvass anywhere for subscriptions no matter where she resides, but the prize winner must be a bona fide resident of the towns to which the range is to be awarded, as indicated above.

Any one intending to canvass for these ranges should write to this office at once for instructions, and printed matter.

All votes recorded in the Times will be held and be open for the inspection by any candidate until after the contest closes.

Ayer's Hair Vigor. Hair turning gray? Why not have all the early, rich color restored? Ayer's Hair Vigor will do this every time. Not a single failure. Stops falling hair also. Lowell, Mass.

Smoked Herring, 15c a Box

We have a few boxes of Smoked Herring which we will sell for only 15c per box while they last. A full line of Salt and Fresh Meats and seasonable Vegetables.

CHESSER & BIRD,

Telephone 232-12

323 North Main Street.

Meats and Groceries.